Survey made by the Forest Department of the area planted up with teak in the Kodasseri Range.

393.Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether a survey was recently made of the area planted up with teak by the Forest Department in the Kodasseri Range ;

(b) what the area that was found to be planted up with teak as per the survey referred to in (a) is;

(c) whether the area referred to in (b) is the same as or different from the total of returns made annually to the Government ; if different, what is the difference due to and what the extent of the difference is ;

(d) whether the area referred to in (b) is the same as or different from the total of the planted up area that had been paid for annually by the Government ;

(e) what is the total of the area planted up with teak in Kodasseri Range as per the returns submitted annually to the Government;

(f) the names of the Rangers who have been in charge of the planting work during the last ten years in the Kodasseri Range ?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—(a) Yes. (b) 62·86 acres;

(c) It is different. The difference comes to 5·71 acres less according to the returns; and it is due to the non-inclusion in the returns of an area of 5·71 acres planted up by the Mooply Valley Rubber Co., along the margin of their estate.

(d) The area was different from the total area paid up for. The paid up area is 57·15 acres.

(e) Vide Appendix. (*Vide Appendix VIII.*)

(f) C. T. Krishna Menon and C. Govinda Menon.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—I find here the answer to the question "what is the area that is found to be planted up with teak plants as per survey referred to in (a)" is 62. 86 acres, but I find in Appendix VIII that it is 124. 41. The question is whether a survey was recently made ?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—The area of the recent survey is given as 62. 86 acres. The other figure given is of the whole survey.

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Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—The question is what is the area recently planted and surveyed?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—The figure given in Appendix VIII is of the whole surveyed area. Here it is a question of (a) and (b). (a) and (b) refer to the recently surveyed area.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—That is quite different from the question.

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—That survey was made this year in Vrischigam 1101.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—That is not my question. It is very easy to twist the question.

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—The answer given is to the question asked, and there is no twisting at all.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—This is what I understand. They surveyed a portion of the teak planted area, and that survey covered only 62. 86 acres, and that survey was in 1101. I suppose I have correctly understood the Hon'ble Member. Now, it is only a portion of the area that was surveyed, and I want to know which area was surveyed.

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—It is the area planted in 1100 and surveyed in 1101.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—That is not my question. I use the term "recent survey" in a wider sense. Surveying was going on for the last 2 or 3 years. I want to know the area covered by this survey. Our plantations began from 1080 onwards so that, when I use the term "recent", it has only a comparative reference to the survey made in the planted areas, and it took 3 years to complete that survey, and this survey is only recent. The survey was started 3 years ago, and then that survey may not relate to the areas planted before so that a survey of the whole planted area may take 30 years and still it is recent. If the answer is given, I will be able to put the supplementary question.

President.—With reference to that survey, I may say that it was started 3 years ago. How many acres of the planted area were covered by the recent survey?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—The survey of the planted area and the area planted with teak is the same. So that all these areas have been surveyed, excepting the first one, which has been surveyed years ago. Till the end of 1081, 838·25 acres had been surveyed.

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APPENDIX VII.

(Vide Answer to Question No 392.)

Rates for the extraction of Timber from the three Coupes.

Thenazhi coupe:

i. Teak Rs. 10 a candy.
ii. Rosewood Rs. 15 a candy.
iii. All Junglewood seigniorage rate *plus* 4 annas a candy.

Kolakkattumudi coupe:

i. Teak Rs. 12 a candy.
ii. Rosewood Rs. 15 a candy.
iii. Junglewood seigniorage rate *plus* 4 annas a candy.

Vilikkamukku coupe:

		Rs. as. p.	
1.	Teak	23—4—0	a candy
2.	Rosewood	21—8—0	,,
3.	Pongu	5—15—0	,,
4.	White-cedar	6—4—0	,,
5.	Irul	5—0—0	,,
6.	Mylellu	4—4—0	,,
7.	Pullamarudu	2—2—0	,,
8	Koramarudu	4-12—0	,,
9.	Chadachi	1—4—0	,,
10.	Venteak	5—2—0	,,
11.	Venga	1—6—0	,,
12.	Aiyini	3—0—0	,,
13.	Ebony	35—0—0	,,
14.	Cherupunna	4—2—0	,,
15.	Vetankorna	2—12—0	,,
16.	Jack	1—8—0	,,

All other species according to the existing seigniorage rates.

APPENDIX VIII.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 393.)

The total of the area planted up with teak in Kodasseri Range.

Till the end of 1081.	838·25	acres
1082——1086	...	
1087	4·48	,,
1088	35·73	,,
1089	38·99	,,
1090	35·15	,,
1091	48·67	,,
1092	45·24	,,
1093	44·35	,,
1094	59·77	,,
1095	37·52	,,
1096	64·11	,,
1097	45·50	,,
1098	91·04	,,
1099	108·45	,,
1100	124·41	,,
Total ...	1,621·66	acres

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